

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Melvin Levinson, et al.

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Title:

Method for Effecting Hemostasis

Examiner:

Gary Jackson

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Sir:

AMENDMENT

This paper is responsive to the Office Action dated June 2, 2004, and further responsive to the Office communication of October 5, 2004 (which objected to the Amendment that the applicants filed on June 8, 2004 because, as stated by the Examiner, the "reinstated" status indicator of claims is not a proper status indictor of claims according to 37 CFR 1.121). As agreed with the Examiner on a telephone call on November 3, 2004, the applicants have, in this paper, changed the "reinstate" status indictor to a "previously presented" status indictor. The other portions of this Amendment are the same as the Amendment filed on June 8, 2004. The applicants believe that this Amendment places the claims in condition for allowance.

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper; and

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this paper.